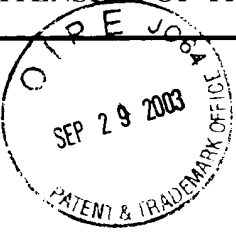
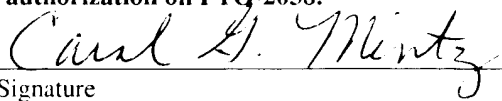


PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME UNDER 37 CFR 1.136(a)		Docket Number (Optional) SBI-111 (1536-01700)	
	In re Application of: Rama Akella and John Ranieri		
	Application Number	10/027.669	Filed December 21, 2001
	For: Povidone-Containing Carriers for Polypeptide Growth Factors		
	Group Art Unit:	1654	Examiner: Jeffrey E. Russel
<p>This is a request under the provisions of 37 CFR 1.136(a) to extend the period for filing a response in the above identified application.</p> <p>The requested extension and appropriate non-small-entity fee are as follows (check time period desired):</p> <div style="display: flex; justify-content: space-between;"> <div style="width: 60%;"> <p><input type="checkbox"/> One month (37 CFR 1.17(a)(1))</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Two months (37 CFR 1.17(a)(2))</p> <p><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Three months (37 CFR 1.17(a)(3))</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Four months (37 CFR 1.17(a)(4))</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Five months (37 CFR 1.17(a)(5))</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Applicant claims small entity status. See 37 CFR 1.27. Therefore the fee amount shown above is reduced by one-half, and the resulting fee is: \$</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> A check in the amount of the fee is enclosed.</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Payment by credit card. Form PTO-2038 is attached.</p> <p><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> The Commissioner has already been authorized to charge fees in this application to a Deposit Account.</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any fees which may be required, or credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account Number 03-2769. I have enclosed a duplicate copy of this sheet.</p> </div> <div style="width: 35%; text-align: right;"> <p>\$</p> <p>\$</p> <p>\$ <u>930.00</u></p> <p>\$</p> <p>\$</p> </div> </div> <p>I am the <input type="checkbox"/> applicant/inventor <input type="checkbox"/> assignee of record of the entire interest. See 37 CFR 3.71 Statement under 37 CFR 3.73(b) is enclosed. (Form PTO/SB/96). <input type="checkbox"/> attorney or agent of record. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> attorney or agent under 37 CFR 1.34(a). Registration number if acting under 37 CFR 1.34(a). 38,561</p> <p>WARNING: Information on this form may be come public. Credit card information should not be included On this form. Provide credit card information and authorization on PTQ-2038.</p> <div style="display: flex; justify-content: space-between; margin-top: 20px;"> <div style="width: 45%;"> <p>September 25, 2003 Date</p> </div> <div style="width: 45%; text-align: center;"> <p> Signature Carol G. Mintz, Reg. No. 38,561 Typed or Printed Name</p> </div> </div> <p>NOTE: Signatures of all the inventors or assignees of record of the entire interest or their representative(s) are required. Submit multiple forms if more than one signature is required, see below.</p>			

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